

POST STREET AT GRANT AVENUE,
SAN FRANCISCO

ROLPH UPHOLDS HIS FIRE CHIEF

No Blaze Breaking Out, His Sleep Is Unbroken, However.

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with his stenographer, visited Mayor Rolph and a statement was obtained from the mayor regarding his position and findings. The private investigation conducted by the mayor resulted in the restoration of Murphy, was taken as the basis for the proceedings. After the conference the mayor instructed that the grand jury would investigate. It is understood that the proceeding judge will personally see that the forensic to be made are satisfactory. This may be the first step toward the removal of the grand jury from the case.

Chief Thomas H. Murphy assumed the reins of control of his department this morning and will further discuss with former Chief H. H. Shaughnessy, who was shown over his head to the board of fire commissioners last week.

When Murphy reached headquarters, the city hall at 9 o'clock this morning, he found his private office vacant and only the usual clerks and Secretary Kennedy of the fire commission in attendance.

NO TROUBLE FIRST. "It was quiet as a church," Murphy declared. "I think the real trouble is over now. I didn't see anything of Shaughnessy and I don't think he had been there this morning."

Murphy was not forced to call Mayor Rolph out of bed to respond to a fire alarm during the night, as the mayor had instructed him to do. There was a blaze justifying a second alarm, and the mayor was in bed at the time.

The only alarm during the night came from Box 519 at Eighteenth and Missouri streets, at 2:23 a. m.

"It was only a small blaze way over in the Potrero, and I didn't go myself, let alone wake up the mayor," declared Murphy.

MAY REMOVE BOARD. The fire commission is to meet at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon, at which time they are expected to vacate the office appointing Shaughnessy. It is expected that the board will remove Rolph's recognition of Murphy and City Attorney Long's opinion that he is the de facto chief. It is believed the mayor will take steps to remove all four commissioners from office.

On Saturday night President Martin of the fire commission instructed to Mayor Rolph that Shaughnessy would step down and out after the mayor had recognized Murphy as chief, and instructed him to take charge of the department. Shaughnessy, indeed, had agreed to leave his headquarters at 10 o'clock on Saturday night, and when Murphy reached there at midnight Sunday Shaughnessy had departed. Yesterday, however, it seemed to be agreed between the commissioners and their counsel, Attorney Stafford, that they could not remove Shaughnessy.

THEIR OWN PLAN. They had promised to hold a meeting today after consulting with their attorney to determine whether or not they would re-instate Murphy in the face of City Attorney Long's decision, to remove Shaughnessy and re-instate Murphy, and Shaughnessy became incensed at their refusal to rescind their action and promptly recognized Murphy himself to supersede Shaughnessy.

With yesterday's change of heart on the part of Shaughnessy, he took up headquarters at One Truck, O'Farrell and Grand avenue. There was a blaze on Hyde street, for which a second alarm was turned in, and both chiefs responded. Shaughnessy attempted to give orders, but was defied by everyone except Chief Steve Russell, who declared he was obeying Shaughnessy. There was a clash, but Shaughnessy later departed after his orders were disregarded.

It was then that Mayor Rolph gave instructions to call in the event of a serious conflagration.

SHAUGHNESSY EJECTED. Shaughnessy appeared at the city hall shortly after 10 o'clock. He found Murphy ensconced in the chief's office.

"I am chief and I am going to stay here," Murphy said to him.

"Well, I guess the building is big enough for both of us," responded Shaughnessy quietly and he moved himself bag and baggage into the office of the first assistant chief engineer. For about ten minutes Shaughnessy and two chiefs of the department, then left the building.

Shaughnessy was ejected from the building with dispatch. There was no horse play. No cuffs nor upbraid or turmoil on the second floor. The two chiefs of the department all went quietly and gently. Detective Sergeant Walsh, who is the mayor's private bodyguard, appeared and told Shaughnessy that he would have to leave the premises of the fire department. Shaughnessy by this time was chagrined by his counsel, Attorney Harry Stafford.

"I won't make any trouble. I will walk out," said Shaughnessy, when Walsh laid a hand upon him.

For all legal purposes, however, it was an election and Shaughnessy departed, leaving Murphy monarch of the situation.

PROGRESS CLAIMED. By Associated Press. PARIS, Dec. 21, 2:57 p. m.—Progress all along the line is claimed in the French official statement given out in Paris this afternoon. There is not one single mention of a German success or a French repulse.

Gains, although slight, are reported in Belgium, between the Ypres and the Argonne. At one point an advance of 1200 yards is recorded and at another the French made 500 yards.

Progress has been made between the Argonne and the Meuse, on the right bank of the Meuse, and on the heights of the Meuse.

The French heavy artillery is described as having been successful on the Aisne near Rheims and elsewhere.

The text of the communication follows: "The day of December 20 brought nothing of importance in Belgium."

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Actors to Hold Sway at First Ball Stars From All Theaters to Dance

Oakland Theatrical Fraternity to Hold Monster Benefit New Year's Eve.

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A party of all-theater actors and actresses, who are members of the Oakland Theatrical Fraternity, will give a monster benefit ball on New Year's Eve. The party will be held at the Hotel Hamilton, under the management of the hotel. The party will be held at the Hotel Hamilton, under the management of the hotel. The party will be held at the Hotel Hamilton, under the management of the hotel.

Manager George E. E. of the hotel has accepted the offer of the actors and actresses to hold the party at the hotel. The party will be held at the Hotel Hamilton, under the management of the hotel.

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GEORGE E. E., CHAIRMAN OF THE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE FOR ACTORS' BALL.

and those who wish can dance all night.

The grand march will begin at 9:30 o'clock. At midnight there will be a concert. At 1 o'clock the big band will begin. The band will play until 2 o'clock. The band will play until 2 o'clock.

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COSSACKS AT BAY BEFORE WARSAW

Von Hindenburg's Army Is Halted for Mighty Battle.

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By Associated Press. LONDON, Dec. 21, 1914. p. m.—The great battle to the west of Warsaw has not yet begun, judging from the indications conveyed in recent dispatches from Berlin and Petrograd. It appears today to German military observers that the German army, which has been advancing since the Russian victory near Lodz, which was decisively proved to be premature and exaggerated.

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MONEY REQUESTED 'CHILD HERDER'

Matter of Appropriation for Probation Officer Is Aired.

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Ass. Atty. Gen. E. J. Connelley, who is in charge of the matter, has been asked to make a report on the matter. The matter is being handled by the city of Oakland. The matter is being handled by the city of Oakland.

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Gifts for Belgians Ready to Distribute

By Associated Press. ROTTERDAM, Holland, Dec. 21, via London 3:30 p. m.—The Belgian allotment of the Christmas presents brought by the Dutch government has been divided into three parts and forwarded to Antwerp, Brussels and Liege, whence the toys will be distributed throughout the country.

Undoubtedly, owing to the frontier regulations, it is necessary to unpack all the packages and to remove letters and Christmas messages written for the most part by American children. The members of the American Relief Commission greatly regret this, as it robs the Belgian children of the messages of good cheer sent them by little Americans.

The Dutch government has granted free railroad transportation of the American food supplied to Belgium.

Emperor Leaves for Front; Despite Orders

By Associated Press. LONDON, Dec. 21, 2:40 p. m.—The departure of Emperor William for the front, announced yesterday, is said by the Exchange Telegraph Company's correspondent at Amsterdam to have been decided upon against the advice of the emperor's physician, who strongly opposed his making the trip at this time. The military chiefs, however, insisted that the emperor should accompany his troops, and he decided to do so.

Norwegian Ship Lost, But Crew Is Saved

By Associated Press. TURKS ISLAND, Dec. 21.—The Norwegian steamer Anita, 734 tons, from Halifax for Jamaica by way of Turks Island and Santiago, Cuba, stranded on North and South Islands, and the crew was rescued. The ship was carrying a general cargo, which is now being saved. The members of the crew of the Anita also were saved.

Publishers Invite President Wilson

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—President Wilson today was invited to attend the annual dinner of the American Newspaper Publishers Association in New York next April

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Gossip of STUDENTS
and RESIDENTS in
UNIVERSITY TOWN

Social and PERSONAL
HAPPENINGS of DAY
in the ISLAND CITY

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HOLIDAY SERMON GIVEN BY PASTOR

Rev. F. K. Baker Declares That
People Must Not Forget
Christ.

ALAMEDA, Dec. 21.—Rev. F. K. Baker, pastor of the First Methodist church, yesterday preached a Christmas sermon on "The Christmas Story." He declared that the Christmas story is the story of the world's redemption, and that the Christmas story is the story of the world's redemption.

"Christmas is the message of a universal and permanent need of humanity. If man ever dwelt in a paradise of shine and beauty, of fragrant flowers and plants, of sweet singing birds and happy innocence, he has wandered away from the fall of bitterness, and the world's greatest need is the Christmas story. The Christmas story is the story of the world's redemption. The Christmas story is the story of the world's redemption.

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EARNED DIPLOMAS AWAITING EXERCISES



CHRISTMAS GRADUATES OF ALAMEDA HIGH SCHOOL: TOP LEFT TO RIGHT, MISS FLORA SKINNER AND MISS ELIZABETH FRASER. BELOW, MISS MIRRIEL COHEN (LEFT) AND MISS DORIS IVES.

ALAMEDA, Dec. 21.—Thirty members are in the high school graduating class this year, which will receive the graduating diplomas Tuesday evening in the First Methodist church, corner of Central avenue and Oak street.

The committee in charge of the program has spent much time on the affair and one of the most elaborate programs ever held by a graduating class will be carried out tomorrow. Justice Henry A. Mevin has accepted an invitation to make the address of the evening and a fluent talk is expected from the associate justice of the Supreme Court.

The graduating exercises will include several musical numbers, among which will be violin solos, piano solos and songs.

There will also be several addresses on the program and speeches by the various members of the class.

The exercises will be held in the auditorium of the Board of Education, which will distribute the diplomas.

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CHRISTMAS SONG CHURCH PROGRAM

Many Congregations of Berkeley Devote Sunday to Celebration.

BERKELEY, Dec. 21.—Sunday was given over to the celebration of the Christmas season in many of the churches of Berkeley. The Christmas story was the theme of the services in many of the churches.

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SENIORS BREAK RULES BUT THEY GRADUATE!

BERKELEY, Dec. 21.—What can you do to a high school senior to whom you have already promised a diploma and a certificate of graduation?

The answer is, nothing. That is what happened to the seniors of the Berkeley high school last night when they broke the rules of the school and graduated without a diploma.

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ALAMEDA CROWD BIGGEST AT U. C.

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NATIVE SONS WILL HOLD JOLLY JINKS

ALAMEDA, Dec. 21.—Native Sons of this city are planning to celebrate the thirtieth anniversary of the local lodge Wednesday evening, December 23, in Native Sons hall.

The evening will be opened with the usual routine matters of business and following this a banquet will be served.

Special prizes have been taken with this feature of the evening and over a hundred pounds of turkey have been purchased and will be cooked by a special caterer on the evening of the banquet.

A number of singers and entertainers have been secured to enter during the banquet.

The Alameda Parlor band will render several selections during the course of the evening and all the latest song hits and several selections from the most popular comic operas will be played.

Santa Claus will be the next one to appear on the program and his gifts are eagerly awaited by the children of the members of the lodge.

The growth of this lodge has been rapid and early in January one of the largest installations of officers ever held by a Native Sons lodge will be held in this city. The following officers will be installed:

President, Charles H. Harkness; first vice president, W. T. Schuler; second vice president, Robert Lind; third vice president, Otto Leisner; junior vice president, P. J. Angell; marshal, A. T. Jensen; recording secretary, H. W. T. Jensen; financial secretary, Charles R. Jensen; treasurer, J. F. Hansen; inside secretary, A. L. Morris; outside secretary, Charles R. Jensen; doorkeeper, H. W. T. Jensen; and H. M. Pond.

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POLICE RESCUE MAN FROM DEATH

Walter Street, night watchman at the Melrose orchard farm, known as the Golden Gate Orchard Farm, was rescued by police early yesterday morning from his room in the building within the farm enclosure, after he had accidentally set fire to the place.

Patrolman E. M. Grandall and Special Officer Ploeg climbed the high fence around the place when they saw the glow from the flames, forced their way into the building and rescued the man. The flames carried Street to safety. Captain Thorwald Brown has recommended to Chief Peterson that the men be commended for their bravery and attention to duty.

Street had gone to sleep with a lighted pipe in his mouth. The burning tobacco set fire to the bedclothes and the fire spread to the carpet and hangings in the room, and then to the wooden floor.

The fire department was summoned and succeeded in putting out the blaze. The damage amounted to about \$500.

Street was slightly burned and his clothes were covered with soot. He was removed to the infirmary, where a charge of drunkenness was filed against him.

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THEFTS AND BURGLARIES BUSY OAKLAND POLICE

Automobile thieves continued to busy themselves in the streets of Oakland last night. William J. Hot 1238 Real Road, Berkeley, reported the theft of his roadster, valued at \$1250, from in front of the Orpheum last night while he was attending the show. The police have a description of the machine and will attempt to recover it.

Police officers in the Commercial building, reported the theft from his automobile at Twenty-seventh and Grove streets, a case of surgical instruments.

R. S. Siga, 2013 Eighteenth avenue, reported the theft of an electric slide and lamp.

Peter Peterson, 219 Second street, reported the theft of a watch from his room.

Burglars entered the home of W. R. Hinchman, 491 Broadway, early yesterday and stole a necklace worth \$40, a handbag and \$20 in coin. A quantity of carpenter's tools were taken by thieves from 124 Indiana street, occupied by C. E. Rodgers, 45 Ninth street. Jewelry and tools worth \$100 were stolen from Mrs. E. Rodgers, 45 Ninth street.

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FORMULA FOR FIGURING AUTO HORSEPOWER FEES

It will be possible, with the following formula, before there are any owners of an automobile to figure out the horsepower and determine the fees. By reason of the change in the formula for determining the horsepower, it has been necessary to return a great many applications because of ineligibility of fees, and this we hope to overcome largely by giving this information as much publicity as possible.

Formula—Add the bore and the stroke in inches. Multiply this sum by the bore in inches. Multiply the product by the number of cylinders. Multiply the product by 2.24.

Example—Add 3 1/2 inches and 4 1/2 inches, equal 8 inches. Multiply 8 inches by 3 1/2 inches, equal 28 inches. Multiply 28 inches by 4 cylinders, equal 112 inches. Multiply 112 inches by 2.24, equal 250.88.

Annual fee—Automobiles of less than 20 h. p. \$5.00; Automobiles 20 to 24 h. p. \$7.50; Automobiles 24 to 28 h. p. \$10.00; Automobiles 28 to 32 h. p. \$12.50; Automobiles 32 to 36 h. p. \$15.00; Automobiles 36 to 40 h. p. \$17.50; Automobiles 40 to 44 h. p. \$20.00; Automobiles 44 to 48 h. p. \$22.50; Automobiles 48 to 52 h. p. \$25.00; Automobiles 52 to 56 h. p. \$27.50; Automobiles 56 to 60 h. p. \$30.00; Automobiles 60 to 64 h. p. \$32.50; Automobiles 64 to 68 h. p. \$35.00; Automobiles 68 to 72 h. p. \$37.50; Automobiles 72 to 76 h. p. \$40.00; Automobiles 76 to 80 h. p. \$42.50; Automobiles 80 to 84 h. p. \$45.00; Automobiles 84 to 88 h. p. \$47.50; Automobiles 88 to 92 h. p. \$50.00; Automobiles 92 to 96 h. p. \$52.50; Automobiles 96 to 100 h. p. \$55.00.

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Surgeons' Work in War.

Reports from the activities of the warring armies disclose a friendliness between the surgeons of the combatants that is gratifying to read of. These men of science are no doubt imbued with the same degree of patriotism as their countrymen bearing arms and engaging in the conflict, but they do not show it in their work, and instances by hundreds of German and French physicians laboring together are cited. There is no discrimination manifested by either side so far as we are able to learn, the soldier needing help the most being given attention first, regardless of nationality.

German surgeons, prisoners of war in France, work side by side with French surgeons, while French surgeons held as prisoners in Berlin display the same zeal in their hospital occupations as those to the manor born.

Information occasionally published shows that the doctors in the field apparently know no country in their care of the wounded following engagements, but unite in their efforts to save without taking into consideration the nationality of the victims.

If only those in control of the destinies of the warring powers were imbued with the same spirit animating the doctors the war in Europe would soon be over.

St. Joseph's Gazette deplores the fact that the price of honey in Missouri is always twenty cents a pound, despite the fact that the bee belongs to no labor union, has no lodge dues to pay and his queen never demands a new automobile. Why not come to California where the busy honey storing insects work practically the year round and honey is from twelve to fifteen cents a pound?

There is one pleasing feature connected with the war in Mexico; a battle can be moved so easily.

Edison Type of Strong Man.

One cannot refrain from expressing admiration for Thomas A. Edison, the great inventor, the "wizard" of the electrical field, who at the age of sixty-seven witnessed the destruction of his great plant worth millions and before the fires were quenched declared he would start next day rebuilding and reconstructing to the end that his work should continue.

Edison is a type of man against which misfortune cannot prevail for any definite period. While undoubtedly the loss sustained is not confined to property values, it appears that through the sagacity of Mrs. Edison many of his priceless plans were saved and that invention will not be halted or progress delayed longer than it takes to construct a new plant and put it in operation.

Edison's statement that he will continue his life work should be intensely gratifying to all mankind, for he is one of the most remarkable human beings who has lived and has combined with his research in the fields of electrical energy a practical ability to utilize his discoveries for the benefit of mankind. He was never content to simply admit the presence of a force, but to harness it, control it and make it work and because of this his labors have been of far more value than all the theories of others who have simply made declarations of great finds in the mysteries of nature, and left them to flit to the next.

Tesla has been given great credit for his discoveries announced from time to time in extravagant fashion. It is recalled that he on one occasion declared he had found in the electrical field a force that he was afraid to utilize lest it kick the earth from its orbit and send us spinning through space without gauge or compass. But while Tesla was shrinking in fear lest he wreck the universe, Edison has been perfecting electric lighting and power, devising means for building cheaper houses, bringing storage batteries to perfection and in a hundred other ways doing things of material benefit.

So when Edison announces that he will continue this practical work, the rest of us who are his beneficiaries, are entitled to express our admiration for his pluck and at the same time to congratulate ourselves that undoubtedly the future of the man has much in store that will give us still greater material advantages as the result of the workings of his genius.

A distinguished professor of the University of California says vaudeville and gladiatorial combats killed the legitimate tragedy in Rome. Here it is being wiped out by moving pictures.

The December number of The Coast Banker, edited by George Edwards, a valuable publication at all seasons of the year, is especially so in its current issue, which is the annual edition to which much time, energy and expense are devoted. It is noted for the excellence of its reviews of the financial conditions of the States on the Pacific slope, for the information of value it contains, for the excellent appearance it presents typographically, for the beauty of its engravings and the great field it so thoroughly covers. It is a credit, not only to the able gentleman who conducts it, but to the State of California where it is published.

New Zealand having voted down national prohibition, an opportunity for extending the markets for California's wines is apparently presented.

Few Billboards for Circus.

One of the greatest circus aggregations of the country announces that on its next year's tour of the country it will practically abandon billboard advertising and confine its attentions almost exclusively to the newspapers. It is said there will be cases where in rural districts the billboards will have to be used because of lack of newspapers, but wherever newspapers are available they will be given the preference in the majority of business districts.

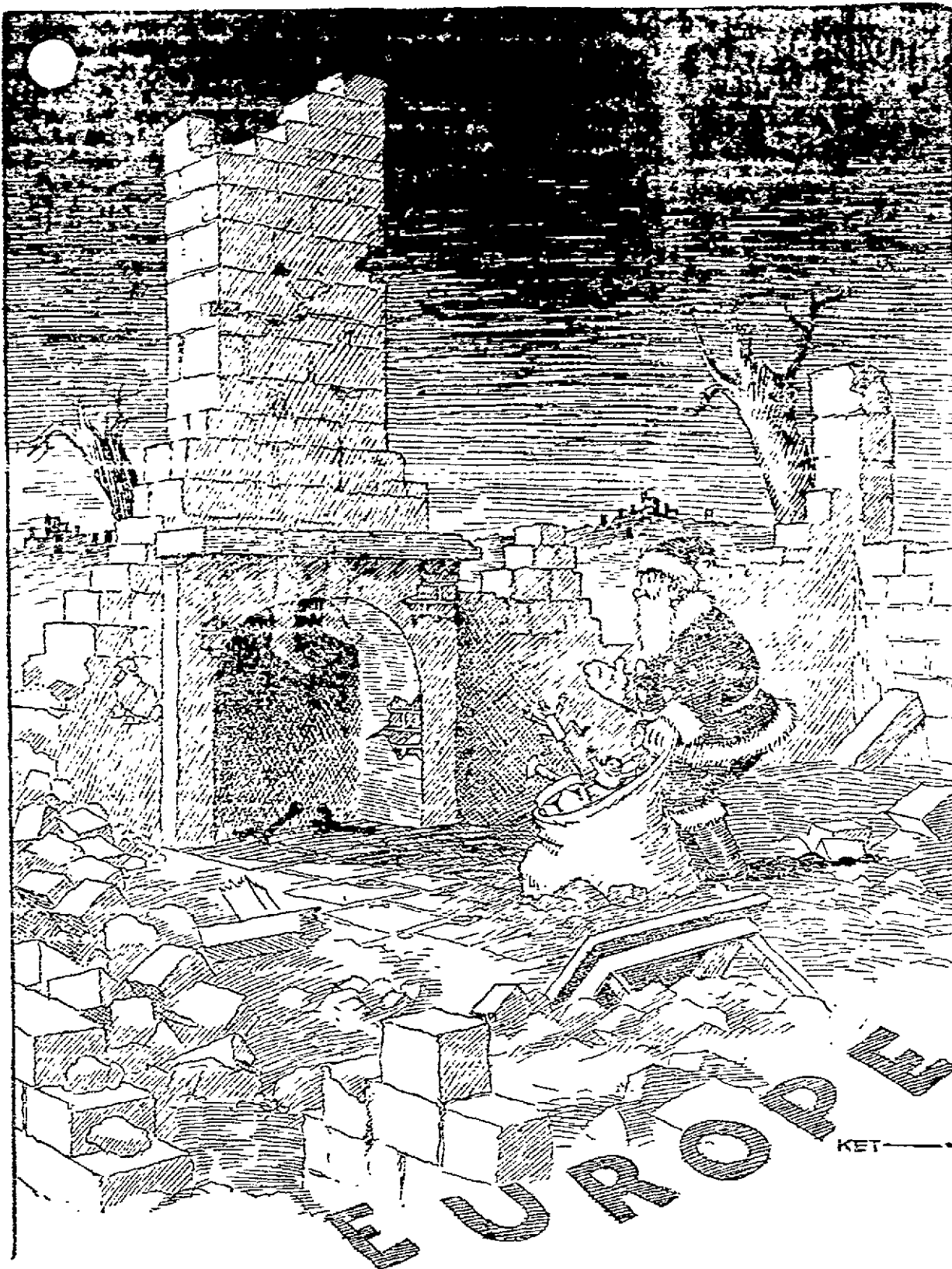
This is not a new idea by any means, Dockstader, the famous minstrel, having first conceived it, although a chain of unfortunate financial circumstances prevented putting it into effect some time in the late eighties when the money market was contracted. He proposed making a tour from New York to San Francisco and return by way of either the northern or southern route without posting a bill, giving the newspapers the benefit of every line of advertising and relying upon their generosity in return for this "write-ups" and stories featuring his plan.

But Dockstader's proposal was not so striking as this one by the circus combine. It is difficult to realize circus advertising lacking the illuminated sheets showing the animals, the trapeze performers and the lurid descriptions accompanying them, always the delight and wonder of the children, and many times admired and appreciated by their elders.

It is related on the part of the circus managements that they have concluded that people generally read newspapers, and that where newspapers are published they are credited to a greater extent than are announcements posted on fences, dead walls and other objects. In other words the circus men say that people believe that which they find in the papers and will give credit to a statement appearing therein, whereas the assertions of the bills are taken cum grano salis. In making this assertion, however, they do not for a moment admit that their advertising is exaggerated—save perhaps in the exaggerated language employed—but on the other hand declare they have shown and will show just what they promise, but have concluded the newspaper is the best medium of presentation.

A writer in the Forum enters into a defense of Nero. Not long ago some one wrote an article justifying Judas. Some years since an elaborate argument favoring Shylock appeared. There appears to be mania in some minds for defending noted characters of history regarded as unworthy. As a suggestion for the next one suppose some defender tries his hand at proving an alibi for Cain?

PHANTOMS!



—BY THE OAKLAND TRIBUNE CARTOONIST.

Every Man Own Telegrapher.

According to eastern advices two Kansans have perfected a machine for sending telegraph messages which will eventually result in the elimination of the trained operator. As conditions now are, training and practice are necessities; as they will be any ordinary person with a knowledge of typewriting can send and any person able to read Morse code can receive.

It is related that the device is constructed on the lines of a typewriting machine, the difference being that instead of printing characters from the Roman alphabet, Morse code symbols are sent the same as now, and are automatically registered at the other end of the line where they are transcribed.

This invention is not to be confounded with a device patented some years ago where the operation of a typewriting machine at one end of the line caused a duplicate action on another machine at the other. This last mentioned device did not succeed except in instances where the distance was very short and has not been found adaptable for general use. But in the Kansas invention the sending keyboard merely transmits the impulses just as they are transmitted by the key of the trained telegrapher at present.

There is no doubting the fact that the introduction of this device will be strenuously opposed for reasons too obvious to need discussing, but if it is the success claimed there is a strong probability that within a comparatively short period it will be in general use for reasons equally obvious.

Although the next presidential election is nearly two years distant, friends of candidates are already booming them for place. It seems to be the general opinion that Wilson will be the Democratic candidate despite the one term plank in the Baltimore platform. So far as the Republicans are concerned there are at least three men regarded as available possibilities. The Courier, of Blairsville, Pa., his home State, is out in an illuminated edition declaring for Penrose, while in Washington there has been considerable talk of Borah and Mann. Coming as they do, just before the holiday season, it looks as if supporters of the persons mentioned were substituting boosts for Christmas gifts.

When a gambler like Ed Canfield can pass out leaving a million accumulated through conducting card games, while the hard working farmer's family has to content itself with the consolation that another year will see the mortgage cancelled, it is small wonder that many are tempted.

It is fair to presume that grandfather will get the usual allotment of slippers this coming Christmas.

Bad Meat-Selling No Crime.

A curious situation has developed in Kansas as the result of an attempted prosecution of a Wyandotte county citizen who was acquitted by the supreme court of that State on the charge of selling diseased or tainted meat, the justices holding that there was no law forbidding such transactions, although parties guilty of selling infected animals may be sentenced to jail following conviction.

This seems to be a distinction without a difference, although the language of the court leads one to coincide with its views when it says with emphasis there is no law against selling diseased meat on the statute books of the commonwealth. However, the court suggests that as a measure of protection to citizens, the federal pure food and drugs act applies and may be resorted to until such time as the legislature shall make provision for safeguarding the public health against a repetition of such conduct.

Eastern gum chewers are deploring the war tax which has put the penny-in-the-slot device out of commission. The law demands that gum shall be sold from the original package which must not be destroyed until the last stick is sold, hence the vending machines are now useless.

News one day indicates that the kaiser's troops have overwhelmingly repulsed the Russians. Next day Petrograd declares the advance of the kaiser has been checked. Will some reliable newspaperman please tell us who is victor, York or Warwick?

RATTLES AND ANTLERS

A couple of more fond beliefs have been knocked in the head by the scientific method—namely, that the age of a rattlesnake can be told by the number of his rattles, and that a deer's snap of his antlers is accurately reckoned by the number of points in his antlers.

As the Zoological Society bulletin says: "The largest rattler now has few rattles and a small one twice the number of the big one."

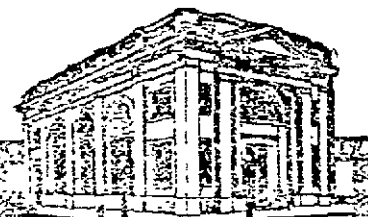
"He grows three a year. At birth the rattlesnake has a tiny button where his rattles are ultimately to be. Therefore at the end of the first year he should have one, according to theory. 3 years old, or perhaps 2 1/2, if one considers the button as a nucleus of another rattle."

"It is quite probable that the rattles increase in number for a certain number of years; remain that number during another period of years and then degenerate as the snake attains its longevity."

"The degeneration of the antlers of a male deer presents a less bewildering problem, inasmuch as it is possible to drive beyond doubt that the points on his antlers have no bearing whatsoever on his age."

"In the first place, several species may be found in captivity with as much certainty as domestic cattle, and therefore the recovery of the shed antlers before they are destroyed either by decay or the teeth of rodents is an assured fact. "With such means no other testimony need be presented than two series of antlers, one from an American wand and the other from an axis deer."

"The first antlers of the wand deer had eight points, which, according to the popular theory, gives him the age of 8 years. In reality, as he was born in June, 1905, at the time this first pair of antlers had attained its maximum size—in September, 1907—he was exactly 17 months old."



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TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

The marriage of William H. Kellogg to Miss Helen Stewart Kellogg, daughter of Dr. John P. Kellogg, took place in the First Congregational Church.

Last Sunday there was a wedding in the First Congregational Church, the bride being Miss Helen Stewart Kellogg, daughter of Dr. John P. Kellogg, and the groom being Mr. William H. Kellogg.

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Mr. and Mrs. William H. Kellogg are spending their honeymoon in Dutch Flat, Placer county.

The wedding of George W. Meades and Miss Arnette D. Smith took place last week at St. Stephen's Church.

There is a merry fight going on at Hayward between Charles George O. and Mrs. O. and Samuel O. and Mrs. O. for a deplorable and unbecoming war.

HARD TO EXPLAIN

Cummings and Weaver were business rivals. One day at the club they fell to talking.

"You say you're an insurance man?" "Yes," was the answer, "I have \$100,000."

"Main payable to your wife?" asked Cummings. "Yes," said Weaver. "What kind of an estate do you put off to your wife for a visit to Europe and back?"

CRISP BANK NOTES

For Christmas

Brand new currency or glittering coins, gold or silver, right from the mint, may be had for holiday gifts at any of our paying windows in exchange for money that is soiled or worn from use. Central Service satisfies every banking need.

Central National Bank

N. E. Corner Fourteenth and Broadway.

OAKLAND.

Assets over \$11,000,000

AMUSEMENTS

Macdonough
Tonight 8:30—All Week
Matinee Christmas and Saturday
Certain Nightly 8:40 p. m. Saturday Night 8 p. m. Sharp, Christmas Matinee 2 p. m.

DAVID WARFIELD in "THE AUCTIONEER"
A Genuine Xmas Treat
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Exclusive Mat. Shows for Women Only
Popular Mat. Wed., Fri., Saturday

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Pantages
"THE MUSICAL BLACKSMITHS"
Stable, Barbed & Slay
"BILL'S TOMBS"
With Edgar Atchinson Day & Company

Columbia
"HOF OF MUSICAL COMEDY"
MATINEE DAILY 2 Shows Nightly
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AN ENTIRE NEW SHOW
OF NINE ALL NEW ACTS
PRINCESS MAHAHA JOHNNY JOHNSON
and his COLLEGIANS; GEORGE W. HARRY
and MAUDE WOLFORD; the original and
crazy ALFRED HIBBERD; the emcee
MRS. M. ALLEN; the Little Women
MIRIAM; THE DANCY ENGLISH TRIO; BROWN
& BOUTWELL in a few moments of
the most WITTY & CARMEL in a word
the best NEW ORLEANS MOTION PICTURES

QUINN & MITCHELL
THREE KRAYTONS
JOE LANIGAN
LOVELL & LOVELL
MILIE MARIE CHEVILLE
KEYSTONE COMEDY

Dillon & King
Present Their Latest Musical Comedy Success
"FAMILY AFFAIRS"
TONIGHT—COUNTRY STORE—24 GIFTS

Formerly PABST CAFE
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QUESTION RIGHTS OF JUDGES

ARIZONA DRY LAW BEFORE U.S. COURT

Injunction Suits Heard Against Enforcement of Prohibition Measure.

By Associated Press.
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—The four suits for a blanket interdictory injunction against the enforcement of the Arizona prohibition law encountered a technical obstruction at the outset of proceedings today before the special tribunal of three United States judges constituted to hear the cases.

Judge Erskine M. Ross of the United States Circuit Court of Appeal declared he did not believe the tribunal had authority under the act of Congress prescribing procedure in such cases, to issue injunctions against the enforcement of any constitutional amendment. The tribunal, he said, appeared to have jurisdiction only in cases involving statutory enactments. After a brief argument on the point, the tribunal recessed until 2 o'clock this afternoon, when a decision is expected.

PROHIBITION LAW INVOLVED.
The technical point raised by Judge Ross involved only the prohibition law, which was adopted by the people of Arizona at the election November 3, as a constitutional amendment. The alien labor law against which an injunction is also sought, was an initiated statutory proposition and as such comes within the jurisdiction of the tribunal. Judge Ross stated his point before arguments were begun on the questions at issue in the prohibition case. Attorneys for the parties attacking the law stated that their petitions for injunction set forth primarily that the constitutional amendment violated rights guaranteed by the federal constitution.

There are four petitions for injunction involved. One of these is in the name of Rev. Thomas Connolly, pastor of All Saints' Catholic church of Tucson, Ariz. The others were filed by wholesale liquor dealers and druggists and by saloon keepers. The priest's petition alleges that this prohibition law infringes upon religious liberty by prohibiting the importation of sacramental wines.

The other parties declare the law is not self-executing and that otherwise it is confiscatory and violates the fourteenth amendment of the federal constitution by depriving them of the value of their present liquor stocks.

SUITS AGAINST OFFICIALS.
The anti-alien labor law, which was adopted with the prohibition constitutional act by the people of Arizona at the November election, provides that four of five workers employed in any business shall be citizens of the United States. The suits to enjoin the enforcement of the prohibition law are directed against executive officials of all four counties in the state, but the petition against the alien labor law is directed against only the officials of Cochise county. It was filed in the name of Michael Rich, a restaurant cook at Bisbee, Ariz., who represents mining companies and other large employers of labor, however, were present observing the course of the action.

Arguments were heard today by Judge Erskine M. Ross of the United States Circuit Court of Appeal, Judge W. H. Saville of the District Court of Arizona and Judge Otto Wahlborn, of the District Court of Southern California. The presence of three judges in proceedings of this sort is required under the federal judicial side, which provides that where the statute of a state is attacked one judge shall not have the power of issuing injunctions.

Police Seek Missing Man, Aged 83 Years

The police have been asked to assist in the search for James P. Davis, 2533 Thirty-fifth avenue, who wandered away from his home Saturday. Davis is 83 years of age, and his friends fear that some mishap has befallen the aged man. The report that he had disappeared was made to the police on last night, and so far no word has come that he has been traced.

Recover Skeletons of Hawaiian Victims

By Associated Press.
HOLINAS, Cal., Dec. 21.—Two skeletons of men drowned in the wreck of the steamship *Hanalei*, which struck Duran reef near Hawaii November 22, with a resultant loss of twenty-three lives, were uncovered here today by an unusual high tide. The waves washed free the floaters that have lain on the beach since the wreck and when they carried it out to sea left exposed the bones. The bodies were buried in other marks of identification were discoverable.

Marriage a Surprise to Society Pompous Ceremony Is Waived



MRS. WARREN ALLEN, WHOSE WEDDING SATURDAY WAS A SURPRISE TO SOCIETY.

News of the sudden marriage of Miss Gertrude Mitchell to Dr. Warren Allen of Oakland has surprised society. Instead of the brilliant wedding planned to take place in February, there was a quiet ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Mitchell, in San Francisco, Saturday evening. A few relatives were invited by telephone and were present at the service at which Rev. Father Collins officiated. Only a few days before the young couple decided to dispense with the pomp and ceremony of a big wedding but they kept their plans a secret from their friends and only members of the two families knew when the marriage would take place. The bridegroom was hurriedly finished and plans were rushed. Mitchell house was very beautifully decorated for the occasion and the bride in her robes of white satin with rare lace and a long tulle veil might have been the central figure in a large church ceremony. Miss Caroline Gherini was maid of honor and Dr. Joseph Catton was best man.

Waif Abandoned in Wintry Night Castaway Finds Name and Home

Christopher Strange is the name bestowed by nurses of the Children's Home of the Ladies' Relief Society on a waif left last night on the cold stone steps of the great building. The child was found in a shadowy corner, wrapped snugly in eiderdown blankets. It might have lain all night exposed to the winds, but that the persons who abandoned the child took care that it found shelter at once. For Mrs. H. S. Kergan, one of the directors, was called on the telephone by an unknown person, who asked if the home would receive another foundling. She replied that it would be necessary to confer with the board, as the rules of the home limited the number of wards, and the maximum had been reached. The person then said that a child was lying on the steps, and hung off.

Mrs. Kergan at once telephoned to the home. Miss Guselle Peterson, the night nurse, received her message, and going to the porch, found the infant at the threshold, wrapped in its blankets with a blue taffeta ribbon tied around the bundle. The child was taken indoors and clothed. No clue was found to its parentage, the blankets bearing no marks. Mrs. W. D. Watts, the day nurse, gave the foundling its name until the directors may christen the child anew. According to the nurses, the little charge is a healthy babe of about ten days old, with well-defined features and lusty limbs. That the child will thrive is not doubted, but the problem of caring for so many homeless little ones is made more difficult by this latest addition to the nursery. Outside aid will be asked to care for the tiny visitor.

WILSON MUST FACE OLD CHARGE

Broker to Face the Indictment Brought After Baker Embezzlement.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—J. C. Wilson, prominent chairman and stockbroker, and R. A. Wilbrand and Peter Burke of the J. C. Wilson company, will be brought to trial on February 23 on an indictment charging them with conspiracy to obstruct justice and misappropriation of funds from the Crocker National Bank. Federal Judge Maurice Dooling, at the request of United States Attorney John W. Preston, set the date for the trial this morning. The case grows out of the embezzlement of more than a hundred thousand dollars from the Crocker National Bank by Assistant Cashier Charles S. Baker of Oakland, who pleaded guilty and is now serving an eight-year term in San Quentin.

Baker used the money for investing in stocks and it is claimed that the J. C. Wilson company acted as his agent. Wilson and Wilbrand, his partner, together with Burke, who was a clerk for the corporation, were first indicted on April 12, 1913, soon after Baker's arrest. Their bonds were fixed at \$10,000 and they pleaded not guilty on April 23. Later, on April 30 they were allowed to withdraw their plea and a demurrer was entered. Judge Van Fleet overruled this and on May 1 they again pleaded not guilty.

The matter was allowed to lag until June 29, a second indictment containing the same charge, but set forth with much more detail, was returned. There was no prosecution for various reasons until recently, when it is understood pressure was brought to bear on the United States attorney looking to a reviving of the action.

Burglar Steals Bulldog for Pet

Three months ago F. J. Enos, 3815 West street, was passing by a dog store. A particularly vicious looking Boston bull attracted his attention. "Ah ha," thought Enos; "just what I want. He looks dangerous. If he eats burglars I'll buy him and save my property from criminal sequestration." And he did. He entered the store and communed with the proprietor. "Will the dog bite a burglar?" he demanded. "Hut," whispered the proprietor, and then taking Enos by the sleeve, led him to a dark closet, locked the door, placed his lips at the keyhole and listened: "He'll killed eleven burglars," he thrilled. "Eleven?" from the astonished Enos. "Eleven," assured the storekeeper. "Five in San Francisco, three in San Rafael, two in Berkeley, one in Stockton and one in Sacramento."

Rules That Property Cannot Be Held for Fee

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—That an attorney has no right to hold property of his client in lieu of a lien against it caused by the demands of his fee, was the subject of Superior Judge Carl's decision. An action had been brought by Miss Nan Thorpe in behalf of herself and Lilian Lynch, both of whom had been detained on Angel Island to recover 100 worth of jewelry. They claim they have given the jewelry to Attorney George E. Price in order that he might hand it over as security to some one who would furnish bonds for them. They claim that he did not hand it over but kept it himself. He explains this by saying he wanted to protect his fee. The court held he was entitled to \$50 for legal services but that he must hand over the jewelry although he might have the 100 claim against it.

DANGER TEST MAY CAUSE STRIKE

Railroadmen Demand That the Danger Be Omitted From Surprises.

By Associated Press.
CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Threats that the engineers of Western railroads will strike if the board of arbitration fails to regulate surprise tests in a manner which will eliminate danger to the men were made before the board at today's session.

The threats were made by Warren S. Stone, grand chief engineer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, representing the men. They were occasioned by remarks of W. L. Park, vice-president of the Illinois Central, and F. A. Burgess, of the Engineers' organization, both members of the board, and by James M. Sheehan, attorney for the railroads. Sheehan stated that the railroad managers had assured the officials of the brotherhood that only such surprise tests as took into consideration the safety of the men surprised would be used. This brought Carter and Stone to their feet.

"I will inform the board," said Stone, "that we have heard this assurance before. In 1906, in 1907 and in 1910 we tried to get the roads to eliminate dangerous efficiency tests, and each time we went back to the men and told them that it was all right, that the roads would conduct only fair tests and just as regularly as the roads did nothing of the kind."

MIEN MAY ACT.
Now if the assurances of the railroads do not remove this danger to the lives and limbs of men; if Federal and state laws do not, and if this arbitration fails to do so, I can assure you that the men will. I do not wish to try to intimidate the board, but the strength of the men will be used if necessary to protect themselves when all else fails," Carter said.

"Safety first is a good advertisement, but we want a system that will not cause an engineer, suddenly confronted with a red light, to jump in a snowstorm at Dover, Okla., was on the stand again.

Bank Refuses to Honor His Check

An amusing incident was related to the other day in that a friend of a friend of ours lost his Waterman Fountain Pen, and as a result, his bank refused to honor his checks, his signature having absolutely changed in its free flowing character. It is a long story and we will not tell more but it goes to show how much a part of a person a fountain pen becomes. Everybody wants one. As a Xmas gift it is appropriate, useful, dignified and lasting. Waterman Pen Agents, 1221 Broadway, with the Calif. Optical Co., formerly located at Hark's Bookstore.

STAFF & PENNOYER COMPANY

CHRISTMAS COAT SALE

Imported Models Offered Regardless Of Cost

\$5.00	\$7.45	\$9.75
\$12.45	\$18.75	

THIS shipment of IMPORTED COATS should have arrived about September 1st of this year, instead of which we received them only last week.

VERY little of the season is left for the disposal of such merchandise, and in view of this fact we have decided to offer them now as a CHRISTMAS SALE inducement and have therefore priced them regardless of initial cost.

ALL of the popular cloaking fabrics are shown as well as some of the newer material shown for the first time. The assortment includes CAPES for street, auto and evening wear. COATS for all purposes shown in sizes for children, misses and ladies. CAPE COATS in many styles, materials and colorings.

OFFERED ON TUESDAY AND THEREAFTER AT THE ABOVE PRICES.

Suit Section—Second Floor.

Boxed Perfumes for Holiday Gifts

WE carry all the finest grades of imported and domestic Perfumes and Toilet Accessories, attractively boxed for the holiday trade. Cut Glass Bottles and Boxes containing Perfumes and Toilet Preparations in large or small assortments are to be had here.

Boxed Perfume Sets for children are priced . . .	25c and 35c
Boxed Perfumes in Colgate's and Hudson's fine odors are priced . . .	25c, 50c and \$1.00 the box
Imported Perfumes in stylish boxes are priced from . . .	\$1.00 to \$7.50 the box
Assorted Boxes of Perfumes, Powders and Toilet Accessories are priced from . . .	\$5.00 to \$7.50 the box

This section also carries complete lines of Parisian Ivory in brush and comb sets, toilet table requisites and manicure sets priced from . . . \$3.00 to \$10.00 the set.

Toilet Goods Section—First Floor.

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CLERK CAUSES HIS BROTHER'S ARREST ON BURGLARY CHARGE

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—Earl Houlihan, a clerk, of 644 Grove street, brought about the arrest of his brother, Herbert Houlihan, who was charged with burglary at 3 o'clock this morning by Patrolman J. J. Hurley. Last night Earl Houlihan returned to his room to find that two watches, a diamond ring and other jewelry had been stolen. He told the police that he suspected his brother, and when the latter was found on Kearny street the property was discovered in his pocket.

Burglar Plays Hide-and-Seek in House

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—Miss Tessie Bonham of 1511 Fell street, and her brother George, played hide-and-seek with a burglar who attempted to rifle their home at an early hour this morning. Later ten officers from the police station formed a skirmish line on the roof of the Coliseum, Fell and Baker streets, but were unable to capture the burglar. Miss Bonham was awakened by hearing some one in her room. She got up and searched about but found no one. After returning to her couch and was almost asleep when her brother George, who occupies the room adjacent, heard a noise in the house. He looked out of the window and was surprised to see a man climbing out of his sister's room. Miss Bonham may not have found the burglar in her search, or he may have retreated to his apartment after she had started to look. Young Bonham saw the man climb a ladder to the roof of the Coliseum and thither the police pursued, but before a heavy call had been answered from the Bonham home.

Editor Appointed to State School Board

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 21.—Charles A. Whitmore, editor of the Delta of Visalia, was appointed member of the State Board of Education by Governor Hiram Johnson today. He takes the place of William E. Baker, who resigned as a representative of the schools of Kern county.

Bank Refuses to Honor His Check

An amusing incident was related to the other day in that a friend of a friend of ours lost his Waterman Fountain Pen, and as a result, his bank refused to honor his checks, his signature having absolutely changed in its free flowing character. It is a long story and we will not tell more but it goes to show how much a part of a person a fountain pen becomes. Everybody wants one. As a Xmas gift it is appropriate, useful, dignified and lasting. Waterman Pen Agents, 1221 Broadway, with the Calif. Optical Co., formerly located at Hark's Bookstore.

Japanese Sovereigns Make Charity Gift

By Associated Press.
TOKYO, Dec. 21.—The Emperor and Empress, according to an announcement made today, have donated 3000 yen (about \$1500) to the Salvation Army. This is the first time it is stated that imperial recognition has been given that organization.

Creditors' Crockery Auction Sale

Of the fine stock of crockery and furniture from the T. Bonald and others Sale at 1007 Clay Street, Near 10th St., Oakland, Sale Tuesday Dec. 22d, at 10:30 a.m. comprising in part a choice lot of fine china, glassware, silverware, crockery, National cash register, etc. All must and will be sold. J. A. MUNRO & CO., Auctioneers.

Steamship Robbed of Big Baseball Outfit

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—The entire Pacific Coast League could be outfitted with the baseball paraphernalia which was stolen early this morning from the steamship *Cornwall* lying at Greenwich-street wharf. Baseball gloves, bats, suits and socks were among the loot taken. The cargo was broken into by someone who had an eye to values, as the only other article taken was a case of vanilla valued at \$100.

AUCTION SALES

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AT 1007 CLAY STREET.

Near 10th st., Oakland, 2 car loads of general merchandise, which will be open for inspection Monday afternoon, commencing at 10 a.m. and continuing until 5 p.m. The goods include: furniture, bath tubs, lavatories, toilets, automobile tires, oil, motor oil, etc., a complete line of groceries, ranges, baskets, tubs, machinery, piano stools, benches, toys, bedding, coats, trunks, cigars, tobacco, game furniture, goods, about 500 dozen axes, saws, picks and machine handles, carriages, hardware, electric fixtures, etc., etc. All must and will be sold. J. A. MUNRO & CO., Auctioneers.

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Mrs. L. A. Maison of Alico street, in honor of the sixth birthday of her daughter, Marie Louise. After playing games, the children were feasted at a Santa Claus table.

The decorations consisted of red Christmas berries and greens, red candles

place were favors of silver baskets of candy, each basket tied with red ribbon and holly. The place cards were hand-painted, featuring Santa Claus. The centerpiece was a large sled, covered with snow, drawn by four reindeer. A miniature Santa Claus stood on the sled, while on his back was a pack containing presents for the children. The

greens, and decorated with tinsel and red satin ribbon, while small colored incandescent lights peeped from among the greens.

On leaving each child received a present from Santa Claus, who stood at the door with his pack of toys.

Mrs. Maison was assisted in receiving the little ones by their mothers.

eryl Bishop, Eleanor Nielsen, Alice
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 Owen, Patricia Shay, Frank Shay, Mar-
 garet Austin, Pasquale Kisich, Muriel
 Price and the celebrant, Marie Malsion.

Within a fortnight, Harriet Evans, who celebrated her eighth birthday at a party last week, will receive a player piano, which will arrive here in the early part of January. The instrument was

Last Saturday afternoon Miss Imogene Masters, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Masters of Prospect Heights, celebrated her thirteenth birthday, when she entertained nineteen girl friends. The guests were received by the youthful hostess, who was assisted by her mother, Mrs. S. H. Masters, Mrs. E. F. Nolan and Miss

The guests received souvenirs and favors. Among those who were bidden to the affair were Dorothy Grimm, Alvera Grimm, Evelyn Stratton, Carmen

garite Rowe, Dorothy Lynch, Frances Knight, Charlotte Michaels, Elizabeth Howard, Vivian Baxter, Irma Baxter, Helen Stewart, Ruth Bonner, Vera Wight, Mabel Johnson, Dorothy Vorn Hasiacher, Lois Eccleston, Irma Furness and Marie Weidersheim.

**QUERCULI ISSUED
BY EDITORS FOR CLUB**

The Christmas number of the "Querculi" has been distributed among the members of the Querculi club, composed of 40 boys of Golden Gate. During the

The Violet edition of the Quercus was published by Alfred Solomon, editor

2221; Martin Solomon, athlete; Charles
 Kohlmeier, club notes; Elmer Crouace,
 literary and hiking; Miss Mincher, visit-
 ors; William Cole, Joshes, Herbert
 Peterson, Ralph Sturgeon, Clay Bridges,
 Will Cole and Earl Collins, all start.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—While sitting at a table in the Red Mill dance hall in Taylor street, on the Barbary coast, R. J. Myers, a young entertainer, fell over a railing early this morning. She died almost immediately, but it was nearly an hour before the police ambulance was

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tioned of heart trouble. The girl had just finished a box and when the seizure occurred and she could not take any poison. She has a mother, Mrs. Thompson, living in Fresno.

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TO HEAR ASPIRANT.

FIFTY-VALE, Dec. 31 - Franklin W.

services for the people of the Fruitvale Congregational Church located in Rev. Ed-
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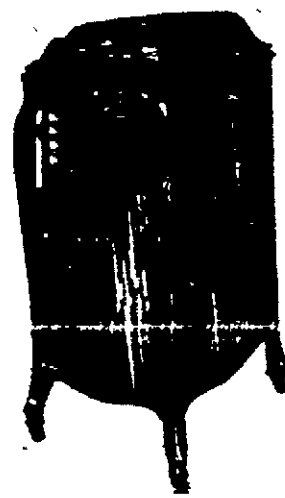
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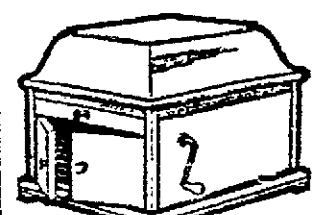


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GREAT CHOIR TO GREET YULETIDE

Oakland's Christmas Eve Celebration to Be Memorable and Impressive Event.

The last rehearsal of the great Oakland Christmas choir, which will on Christmas eve, be heard in a great open air concert, singing the praises of Yuletide in the City Hall Park, was held yesterday, when the singers gathered at the Chamber of Commerce auditorium for their final instructions from Alexander T. Stewart, director of the great choir.

Stewart put the choir and the new singers who are to augment the big chorus through final practice on every air to be sung at Oakland's official celebration, the practice meeting being in the nature of a dress rehearsal. The singers have been added to by a number of choir units from different churches who have in the past week volunteered their services.

Standing before the city hall, which will be ablaze with lights for the occasion, and before the great Christmas tree to be erected in the city hall park in honor of the holiday, the choir will sing the "Cantique De Noel," famous air of the yuletide season, several other Christmas carols, a number of the old home songs beloved of other generations and finally "Hail Lang Syne," a touch of patriotism being added to the program in the singing of "America."

BRIGHTLY LIGHTED STREETS. The crowds surrounding the park will stand on brightly lighted streets, it being assured, through the promise of all owners of buildings about the city hall to have all lights burning. This was done at the request of the Chamber of Commerce, Commercial Club, Consolidated, which is co-operating with the Park Commission, the city administration and the committees in charge of the celebration. The 1915 Exposition quartet will also be heard, having combined with the Christmas chorus.

The aim of the commercial organizations and the administration is to make the Christmas festival a yearly Oakland celebration that will be known throughout the state as one of the notable celebrations of California, such as the Pasadena Flower Tournament and the Portland Rose Carnival. For several years the affairs have scored striking success, and this year's celebration will by far eclipse any in the history of the city.

NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION. Several meetings will be held during the coming week to arrange for the New Year's celebration in Oakland this year. A great street carnival, street red fire, dancing, bands, street open air, fireworks and streamers is planned, and the committees plan to make the dawn of the exposition year the occasion for a great Mardi Gras, the like of which has never been seen in Oakland. Hotels and caterers are booked ahead, and the city hall is being crowded to the doors. The detailed program will probably be issued immediately after Christmas.

CHICAGO SNOW Storm Gives Work To Idle Army

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Thousands of men who sought shelter in municipal lodging houses last night were given employment today by railroads, trolley lines and the city clearing the streets and railway tracks of the heaviest snowfall of the winter. There were 3800 jobless men sheltered in two municipal lodging houses and the Rufus Dawes hotel. All of them were ready for work. They were paid \$2 per day.

FOOD AND CLOTHING FOR COLORADO MEN.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 21.—Sufferers in the Southern Colorado coal fields will be sent a Christmas gift, a consignment from Kansas City, consisting of clothing, bedding, shoes and beds. This was announced after a meeting of the Women's Trade Union League yesterday after a conference with Frank F. Walsh, chairman of the Federal Commission on Industrial Relations. Walsh, who had just returned from the strike district, told of suffering among the encamped miners and their families and made an appeal for a Christmas gift.

HOBOS AT CHURCH AND ONE PREACHES.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 21.—Wealth rubbed elbows with poverty and ramp continued with financial in the St. Louis Methodist Episcopal church of St. Louis yesterday. A sermon by a self-styled "hobo" preceded the regular sermon of Rev. J. A. Rice in one of the most fashionable churches of the city. Led by James Edna Egan, ex-convict, millionaire hobo, several scores of homeless and unemployed men in tattered clothes, unshaven and shivering with cold, marched into the church to sell tags for "the cause." Rev. Rice sprinkled the men among his congregation and gave them three minutes to "state his case."

DIFFICULTIES OVER SHIPS ARE DISCUSSED

By Associated Press. LONDON, Dec. 21.—The Times, in an editorial this morning, discusses the difficulties between Great Britain and the United States arising out of necessary examinations of American vessels for contraband. It admits that there is some ground for the complaint by the American press of needless delays in arranging the fate of cargoes of seized vessels, and urges the government to endeavor to expedite the business by some departure from the normal cumbersome and secret routing of diplomatic and departmental intercourse.

TURKEY WHIST PARTY.

The Ladies' Auxiliary to Ancient Order of Hibernians, Division No. 2, of Alameda county, will hold a turkey whist party in Cameron Hall, East Sixteenth street, at Thirteenth avenue, East Oakland. A turkey will be given for a door prize.

WANT MOTHER DECLARED DEAD.

RICHMOND, Dec. 21.—C. O. Fredhoff has filed a petition with the probate court asking that his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Fredhoff, be declared legally dead so that the estate left by her many years ago can be probated. The petition does not state why the steps were not taken before.

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'PRINTING OFFICE' IS PALMER THEME

Tells Plymouth Congregation of Things Learned During Experience.

Rev. Albert W. Palmer in his sermon yesterday morning at Plymouth Congregational church, delivered an address on "Things Learned in a Printing Office."

Palmer's lecture was based on his experience as editor and printer of the "Man Edition" of the OAKLAND TRIBUNE on December 5. The sermon follows:

There is a remarkable contrast between a typical modern newspaper and the printing office which produces it. The newspaper is frenzied with big headlines and hysterical in red ink. It is a picture of the world as it is, not as it should be. In political campaigns it is apt to be violently partisan, and at all times it tends to pass over the important and constructive activities of the community and focus attention on the fantastic and trivial.

But the printing office which produces the newspaper is not all like its product. It is not hysterical at all. No one is screaming through it in letters four inches high. On the contrary, it is a calm, well-organized business carried on by hardworking unemotional people. Some of them I found to be deacons and others in churches or officers of the community. The contrast between the sensational newspaper and the efficient, industrious group of people who produce it is one of the most fascinating contradictions in modern life.

SIMPLY OBEY ORDERS.

Why this contrast? For one thing, the reporters and editors are not to blame. They are simply obeying orders. They could produce a totally different type of paper with equal facility if they were told to do so. Then it is the management that is responsible for the sensational tendencies of the modern newspaper? Yes—but only in part. The management has to meet the economic pressure of making the paper pay and is convinced that the public wants the present type of journalism.

TENDENCY AND CURE.

But doubtless the management is right with regard to a very large section of the public. Probably the majority is by a count of heads.

What then? The lesson to be learned is simply the existence of a perilsome tendency toward sensationalism in modern life. This tendency manifests itself also in tawdry vaudeville and frenzied music—even in sensational "prophets."

THE CURE LIES ONLY PARTLY IN INFLUENCING the newspaper to turn its face toward greater restraint, dignity and fair play, but further back in the creation of a public opinion which will be impatient with that which is cheap, shallow and insincere.

What are the great forces that mould public opinion? The home, the school, the newspapers and the churches. The first two are the most powerful, but before the minds of men just so far as possible the things that are really noble, pure and true should be put before the eyes of the people. The newspapers and the churches we will steadily labor to create a public opinion which desires real news instead of hysteria, dignity instead of noise, fair play instead of partisan ship—then it will soon be good business policy for the newspapers to respond to this demand.

CAN FIND MANY PARABLES.

No minister can work in a printing office without finding in it many parables of life. One of these comes out of the making of the paper each day. At first everything is fluid—the editor or reporter is writing and can cross out, change or add with perfect freedom. Then the copy goes to the linotype operator. It is still fluid—the proof is yet subject to correction. Then the columns are taken from the galley and assembled in the forms. It is still possible to make corrections, though only with haste and difficulty. Then the forms go to the stereotyper and all change ceases.

Finally they are fastened on the press and soon the public knows what has been written.

It is a parable of character building—at first plastic and easily molded in the early days of childhood, then set in stiffer forms by the discipline of education. On the composing stone of early business experience after leaving school some changes of emphasis can be made but soon, very soon, the character becomes stereotyped by the hot metal of commerce, bound on the great cylinders of life and under the great rollers of the press of life, that character becomes revealed to all the world.

SYMBOLISM OF INTELLIGENCE.

Palmer's famous illustration also came home to me with new force as I watched the type go into the forms in making up the paper. What is it that makes all these letters significant as they stand there in order? It is the unseen personality behind them that placed them in that order as an expression of the mind. The letters, the words, the lines, stars and sea, children and great men, history and biography are the type—they mean nothing until you add behind them a great intelligent personality, the presence of God!

ON CITY MANAGEMENT.

Rev. Palmer last night delivered the last of a series of lectures on "Imaginary Occupations." His talk last night was full of interest and he took for his subject, "I Would Be a City Manager."

The city manager is the next step in the evolution of municipal government. Originally we had the feudal type of city government with a mayor, a council and a lot of elective officials all acting as subjects of the mayor and not as joint tenants in the management of the city. Nobody could be made responsible for anything.

Then came the strong mayor plan under which both power and responsibility for its use were centered in the mayor. Then, by way of Galveston, came the commission plan under which a group of five commissioners were elected to act somewhat as a board of directors in a big corporation.

The weakness of the strong mayor plan is that the man who gets possession of the centralized power is not an expert in city administration at all, he is only a politician, expert in the art of getting elected.

WEAKNESSES OF FORM.

The weaknesses of the commission form are that there is no centralized authority uniting all departments and that the relatively small salary and necessity for election by a political party make it difficult to secure men of the highest efficiency. The result is not five experts in city government, but five executives in the name of politics who are apt to be only amateurs in the actual administration of so great a corporation as a modern city.

The city manager plan, as developed at Dayton and elsewhere, on German models is the logical development from the commission plan. It provides that the city is managed by a single man, the city manager, who is elected by the people and secures the services of the highest type of men in the community.

The commissioners, instead of running the city government, go out and hire the most efficient man they can find to run the whole country at a large salary to become city manager. Dayton actually offered the job to Colonel Goethals at \$25,000 a year. Failing to secure him a prominent engineer was hired at a salary of \$3000.

SELECTS EFFICIENT HEADS.

"Being absolute in authority, subject only to recall or discharge by the commission, and being selected for his administrative efficiency, the city manager is available to appoint his department heads on a basis of efficiency and to secure the city government the same economy and proper balance between all departments of community service that would characterize a great corporation. Responsibility is concentrated in the city manager. He must make good or get out.

"If there was a city manager, I would install a uniform accounting and purchasing system. The experience of the Tax Association, showing the commission to save \$20,000 on the cost of the last election indicates how much money could be set free for other purposes by a central purchasing system. The health department, Raymond Robinson says the time will come when city administration will stand or fall according to death rate reported. Dayton's city manager made a reduction of 50 percent in the infant mortality over last year."

EMPHASIZE HUMAN VALUES.

Palmer also emphasize the human values in city government the problem of unemployment, utilization of vacant lots for community gardens, remedial loan and legal aid departments and the development of wholesome recreation particularly in connection with the municipal auditorium where I would have a city theater on the German plan and a city orchestra with great popular promenade concerts.

"I would also secure an adequate city plan looking to future development and make the city government the starting point of adequate land reservations in the mountains behind the city before they are built over with houses."

"Finally, I would not try to reduce taxes," think I would make the taxes as high as the people would vote, only guaranteeing that every cent would be spent with the utmost economy for the common good. And to justify and popularize the tax rate I would hold each year a great "biggest exhibit" where all the taxpayers could see just where their money was spent and how it contributed to make a greater city and one better and more wholesome to live in."

URGE EQUITABLE ORIENTAL POLICY

Churches of Christian America Petition Congress to Adjust Problem.

By Associated Press.

TOKIO, Dec. 21.—The Merchants' Association and Baron Shibusawa, president of the American-Japanese Association, and Buni Nakano, president of the Tokio Chamber of Commerce, are urging the Diet and Cabinet to reach a compromise, with a view to preventing dissolution of the House or the collapse of the ministry. A crisis in time of war, they urge, would create an unfavorable impression abroad and hinder national progress.

The opposition leaders declare that the proposal for an increase in the army will be rejected, and in this event it is probable that the dissolution of the House would be immediate.

NOTED CAPITALIST IS SUMMONED BY DEATH

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 21.—Eugene Zimmerman, former president of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton railroad and wealthy financier of this city, died suddenly at a club here late yesterday from hemorrhage of the lungs. Zimmerman was the father of the Duchess of Manchester.

The death of Zimmerman was unexpected, although his health has not been of the best for the last few weeks.

Zimmerman was born in Vicksburg, Miss., in 1845, but was a resident of this city when the war broke out and served on Union gunboats on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, finally reaching the rank of commander.

ESPERANTISTS MEET.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—The banquet room of Hotel Sutter was the scene of a gathering of Esperantists from the bay counties last night.

Thirty-four participated, enjoying their amusing speeches, toasts and reported all in Esperanto.

D. E. Parrish, now associated with the exposition, spoke on the benefits of Esperanto in guiding and giving information to visitors from foreign lands; also of the work being done by the exposition people in the way of advertising by means of Esperanto.

Esperantists came from various cities, Alameda, Oakland, Berkeley, Redwood City, Sacramento, San Leandro and Alvarado being represented.

ASK WILSON TO OPPOSE LOAN.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—President Wilson was asked in a letter received yesterday from General Huang Heing to oppose an American loan to the present Chinese government. General Huang Heing, who now is in Washington, was one of the leaders in the recent revolution against the Manchudynasty and is now exiled.

"DRUMMERS" TO MEET.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—A smoker and socialization machine will be held in Native Sons' Hall on Wednesday night by the commercial travelers' 1915 Congress, in celebration of the purchase of a building site on the civic center for the erection of a clubhouse. All commercial travelers are invited.

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LONDON TO CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS AS BEFORE

By Associated Press. LONDON, Dec. 21.—In spite of the gloom which hangs over London at night and the general depression as a result of the war, the more important London theaters will offer their Christmas pantomimes as usual, taking the position that children must not be robbed of their holiday treat because of the war.

Children's Jack and the Beanstalk, Sleeping Beauty and a number of other favorite fancies of childhood are to be revived at Christmas time with the same brilliancy as in past years.

Hotels which have not attempted to have dancing since the opening of the war, have also announced that they will resume the weekly Saturday evening dinner dances, in an effort to throw off the gloom which is settling over England.

Mourning is rapidly displacing color in London streets and shop windows are filled with black hats. Belgian and French visitors are nearly all in mourning.



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